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CarbonT₂ Spectra on the DRX500 Spectrometer

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Topspin 1.3 Windows XP DRX 500



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1.0 Introduction

An **awcarbont2** parameter set and linked **VCLIST** file from which a **VDLIST** file *must* be calculated prior to processing a T₂ data set have been set up on DRX-500 spectrometer running under TS1.3.

The parameter sets have **D1 = 10 sec** and 8 x **VCLIST** values. The T₂ data set is acquired using the *smallest vclist value first. Prior to processing T₂ data sets variable constant (VC) values must be converted to time domain variable delay (VD) values using the **vctovd** command (see instructions 15 and 16.)*

D1 and the longest **VD** time derived from the largest VC **value** should be 3-5 times the longest T₂ in the sample compound. T₂ is always shorter than T₁.

$$VD_{\max} = [P2 + (2 * D20)] * VC_{\max}$$

T₂ data sets can be processed on the spectrometer terminal or off line using any version of Topspin provided the linked **VCLIST** file is either resident in the experiment's top level folder (= default setting: see below) or recreated or copied into the off line terminal's C:\Bruker\TopspinX.X\exp\stan\nmr\lists\vc folder.

If required the VCLIST file that is present in the experiment's top level folder can be opened with **WordPad** and the VC values in it can be viewed and used to recreate the original named **VCLIST** file from which the **VDLIST** file can be created using the **vctovd** command.

uxnmr.info	2/01/2017 10:50 p...	INFO File	4 KB
uxnmr.par	2/01/2017 10:50 p...	PAR File	24 KB
vclist	8/02/2018 10:30 p...	File	1 KB

NB: The experimental copy of the variable constant file is named as **vclist** irrespective of the name of the source vclist file.

2.0 Experiment Set Up

- 1) Create an experiment and read in the **awcarbont2** parameter set (+ **getprosol**).
Pulse programme = **awcpmjpgg**
- 2) Review default settings. These settings can be adjusted if required.
TD(F2) = 32 or 64K, TD(F1) = 8
SW = 240 ppm, O1P = 110 ppm.
D1 = 10 sec.
D20 = 600 usec = 0.000600 sec
NS = multiple of 2, 4 or 8, DS = 0, 2 or 4.
- 3) Type **ased** (enter) and review other parameters used in the job including the linked **VCLIST** file = **AWCARBONT2-8**.
- 4) The **VCLIST** file should have the entries shown below, or a similar set of values.
Do not alter the values in this file. An alternatively named **VCLIST** file should be

File = AWCARBONT2-8

4
16
64
256
1000
2500
5000
8000

AWCARBONT2-8 VC file values

File = AWCARBONT2-8

0.0032796
0.0131184
0.0524736
0.2098944
0.8199000
2.4597001
4.9194002
9.8388004

Calculated VD times (sec)

- 5) Set receiver gain using **RGA** (*important!*).
- 6) Type **edp** (enter) and check that **SI(F2) = 32 or 64K, SI(F1) = 8,**
WDW(F2) = EM, LB (F2) = 2 Hz or other value of your choice.

SI	65536	8	Size of real spectrum
SF [MHz]	125.7577890	500.1300000	Spectrometer frequency
OFFSET [ppm]	219.39250	4.99974	Low field limit of spectru
SR [Hz]	0	0	Spectrum reference freq
HZpPT [Hz]	0.458222	125.000000	Spectral resolution
SPECTYP	UNDEFINED		Type of spectrum e.g. C
Window function			
WDW	EM	SINE	Window functions for trf
LB [Hz]	2.00	0.30	Line broadening for em

- 7) Start the acquisition using the **ZG** command
- 8) When the experiment has run type **rser 1** (enter) to read in the first serial file which will appear in a TEMP screen display window.
- 9) Type **EFP** (return) to transform it and phase it as per a normal carbon spectrum.

- 10) Type **edp** (enter) and note the phase constants for this spectrum. A large negative PHC1 value will be required.

PHC0 [degrees]	151.820
PHC1 [degrees]	-394.690
PH_mod	pk

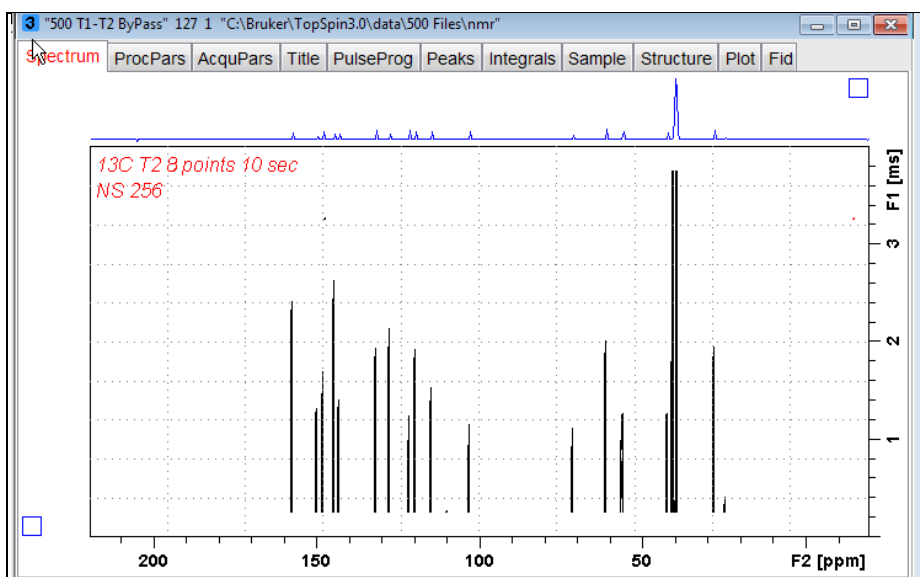
- 11) Close the **TEMP** window and reload the T₂ data set file.

- 12) Type **edp** (enter) and enter the phase constants noted in step 10 above into the **F2 PHC0** and **PHC1** cells and check **PH_MOD** = pk. **F1** cell info is not used.

PHC0 [degrees]	151.820	0	0th order correction for
PHC1 [degrees]	-394.690	0	1st order correction for
PH_mod	pk	mc	Phasing modes for trf, x

- 13) Type **xf2** (return) to transform the 2D data set followed by **abs2** (return) to baseline smooth it.

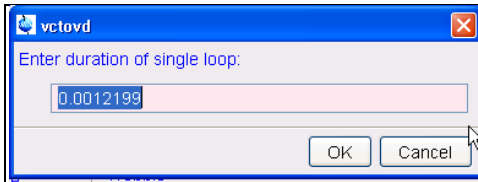
- 14) Provided phase constants have been correctly set up the transformed data set plot should resemble that shown below. Signals intensities go from their maximum positive value to zero intensity.



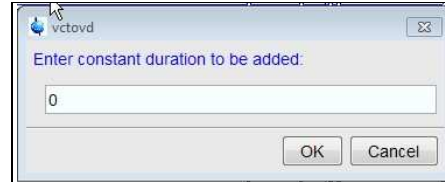
3.0 T₂ Data Set Processing

15) Prior to processing a T₂ data set it is essential that variable constant (VC) values are converted to time domain variable delay (VD) values.

16) Type **vctovd** (enter) and click OK on the display panels that appear.

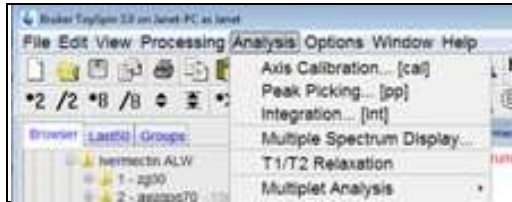


Single VC loop value = $p2 + 2 \times d20$

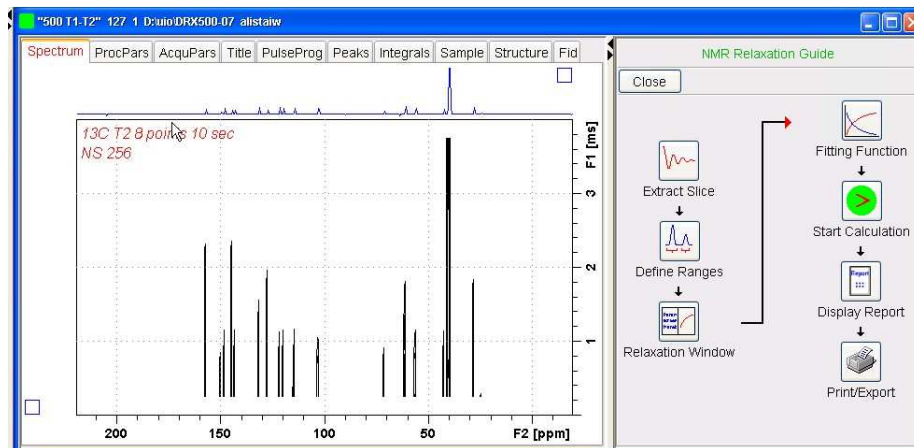


Not used. .

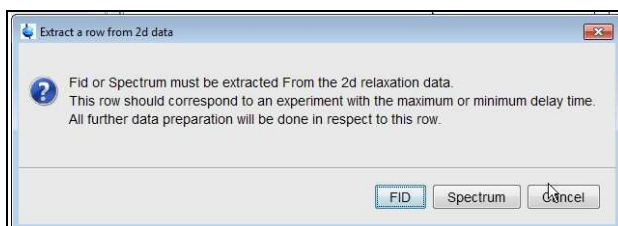
17) Open Topspin's **Analysis** menu and click its **T1/T2 Relaxation** tab. If other Bruker processing software has been installed on the spectrometer terminal, as may be the case on the AVII-600, select the **Analysis** menu's **Topspin T1/T2 module** tab and open its **T1/T2 Relaxation** sub-menu tab.



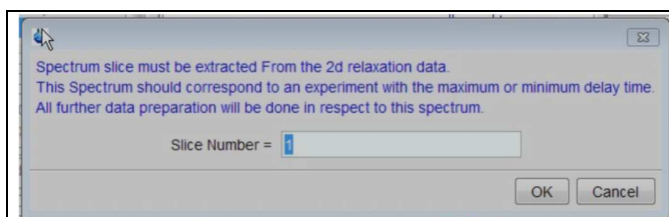
This will open up the screen display shown below.



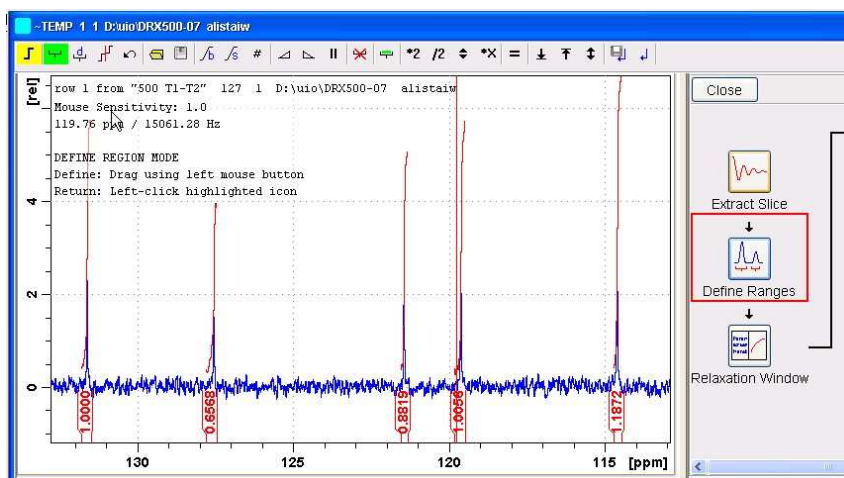
18) Click the **Extract Slice** button and then the click **Spectrum** button in the panel that appears.



- 19) Enter **1** in the **Slice Number** cell and click the **OK** button. This will display the transformed spectrum ex the first (shortest) **VCLIST** → **VDLIST** value = the one that was phased via the **rser 1** routine in steps 8 and 9.



- 20) Expand the spectrum that appears in the usual way and integrate selected peaks in it. Integrals should start and terminate as close as possible to the edge of a peak.

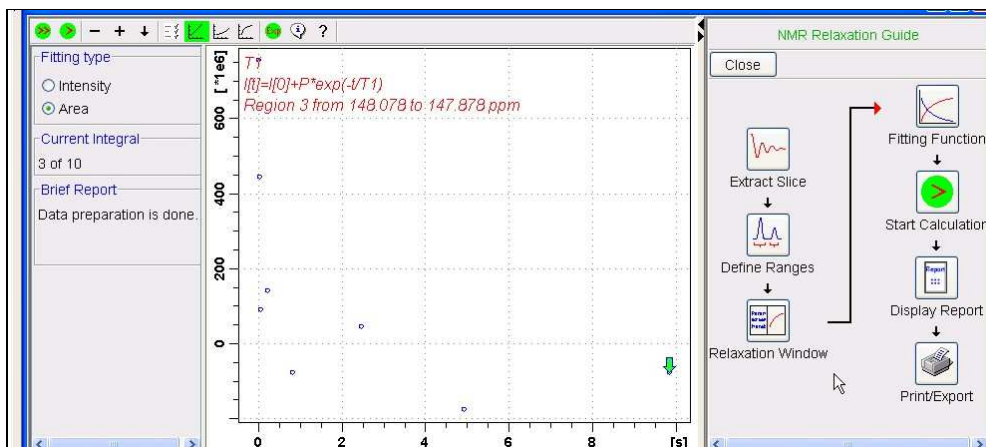


- 21) Click the "**Save Region As**" icon button (= 7th from the left in the upper menu bar in **TS1.3** (the one with the floppy disk icon) and then its **Export Regions to Relaxation Module and .ret.** tab.



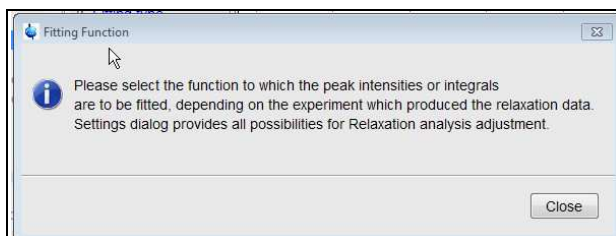
- 22) Click the **Relaxation Window** button and select **Intensity** or **Area** in the plot window that appears. **Area** is the best choice for carbon T_2 values.

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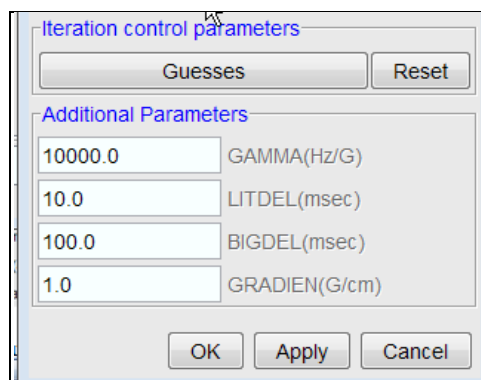
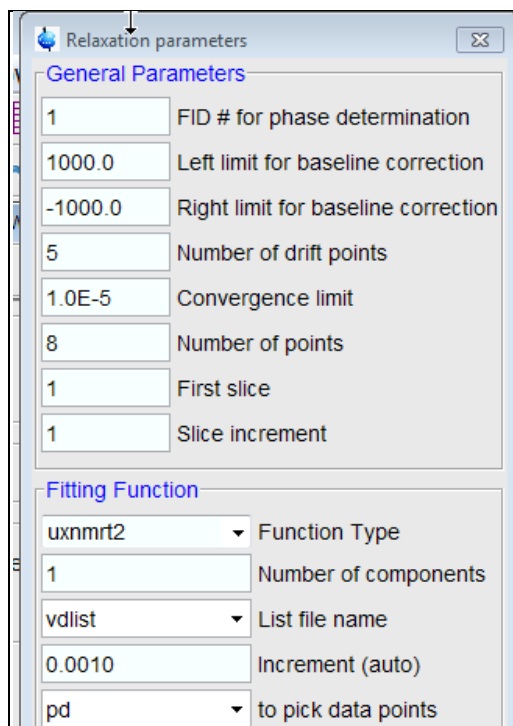


T₁ equation information incorrectly appears in this display This is a long standing Topspin bug.

- 23) Click the **Fitting Function** button and note the comments about **intensity** or **area** options in the screen display that appears and close it.

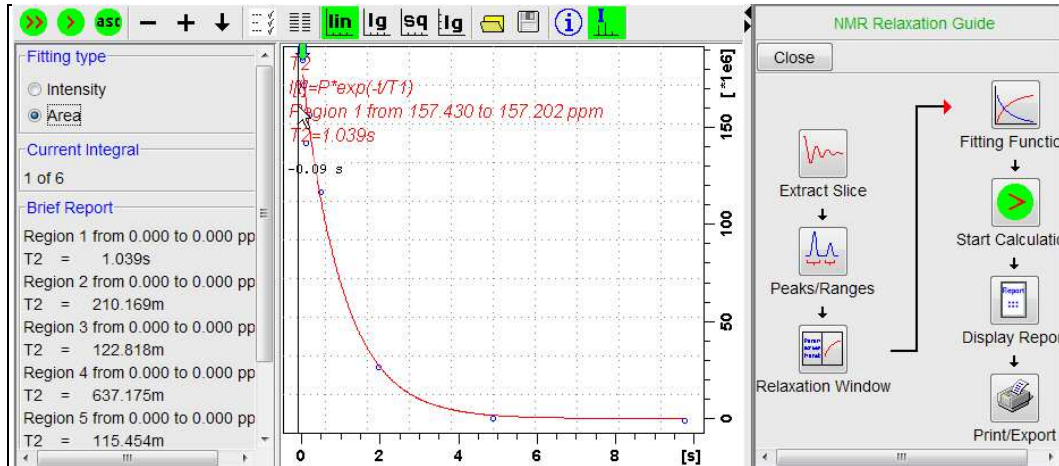


- 24) When the Fitting Function message screen is closed a panel with relaxation parameters (split into two screen captures below) will appear.



25) Check **Function Type = uxnmrt2** (*important!*) and **List file name = vdlst**. Other cells/values can be left as they are (= default settings). Click **Apply** and **OK** and close the window.

26) Click the **double red arrow** in the menu bar at the top left of the plot window and **NOT** the single red Start Calculation arrow button in the NMR Relaxation Guide menu below the Fitting Function button.



The appearance of the T_1 equation in this screen is a long standing Topspin error.

27) The + and - buttons in the upper menu bar can be used move through the series of T_2 plots.

28) Fitting type (**Intensity** or **Area**) can be changed in the plot display. If this is done clicking the **double red arrow** will recalculate the T_2 results and update their plots.

29) The NMR Relaxation Guide has buttons which can be used to display and/or print T_2 results. A sample report for one signal is shown below. Zero value points (= completely T_2 relaxed) or negative artifact peaks will be eliminated.

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Dataset :
D:/uio/DRX500-07/data/alistaiw/nmr/500 T1-T2/127/pdata/1
AREA fit :
I[t]= P*exp(-t/T2)

8 points for Integral 1, Integral Region from 0.000 to 0.000 ppm
Results      Comp. 1

P      = 1.014e+000
T2     = 712.899m
SD     = 4.262e-002

tau   ppm   integral   intensity
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3.280m 157.260 5.2576e+008 5.476e+007
13.118m 157.260 5.0772e+008 5.7404e+007
52.474m 157.260 4.5127e+008 5.1396e+007
209.894m 157.261 3.9981e+008 4.197e+007
819.900m 157.261 1.826e+008 2.3588e+007
2.460s 157.260 -1.26e+006 eliminated
4.919s 157.260 -3.304e+007 eliminated
9.839s 157.260 -1.153e+007 eliminated

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